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AUTHORIZATION

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In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

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Appendix A
(Marked-up Copy of page 1)

On page 1 of the specification, please delete lines 8-14, and insert instead the following paragraph:

This application is a Continuation-in-Part of [claims priority to] application serial number 09/794,386, filed February 28, 2001, entitled "System, Method And Medium For Certifying And Accrediting Requirements Compliance", which in turn claims priority to application serial number 60/223,982, filed August 9, 2000, entitled "Web Certification and Accreditation System, Method and Medium", each of which is [are] assigned to the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.

Appendix C
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On page 30 of the specification, please delete lines 8-20, and insert instead the following paragraph:

FIG. 23 shows an exemplary Threat Environment screen, which shows the calculated level of risk based on the information that was provided in step 100. As per at least some embodiments, the present invention automatically calculates the risk, which is indicated under the Calculated Value 2302 heading. This could be accomplished in any number of ways based upon data obtained during the current and/or testing phase, as indicated above. The User Defined Value [2234] 2304 preferably defaults to the corresponding Calculated Value 2302 for a given threat environment element (e.g., 1, 2, 3, etc.). However the user/analyst has the opportunity to optionally override the calculated risk rating by clicking on the User Defined Value [2204] 2304 for each corresponding threat element. As previously discussed, exemplary available choices are negligible, low, medium, or high, although they could also be, e.g., numerical in nature.

Appendix E
(Marked up version of claim 83)

83. (Amended). The system according to claim [83] 80 wherein said network discovery engine further collects information pertaining to at least one of application software, hard disk drive capacity, device manufacturer, and device model.